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BOROUGH OF WHITLEY BAY

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1972

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Councillor L.R. Coxon

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* Members of the Social Services Committee

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PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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Tel. 31121.

STAFF 1972

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Chief Public Health Inspector	W.W. VALENTINE M.A.P.H.I.	
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	E. ROWNTREE M.A.P.H.I.	
	H.D. WILSON M.A.P.H.I.,M.R.S.H.	(appointed 5.6.72.)
Technical Assistant (Smoke Control)	G.A.J. HUNTER	(resigned 1.72.)
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(Improvement Grants)	D. GANNIE	(appointed 12.6.72.)
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Clerk	A.D. SMITH	
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Pupil Public Health Inspector	D. DIXON	

Health Department,
Council Offices,
Whitley Bay.

To His Worship the Mayor, Alderman and Councillors of the Whitley Bay Borough Council.

Your Worship, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report on the health of the Borough for the year ended 31st December, 1972. This report has been prepared in accordance with the Department of Health and Social Security's Circular No.1/73.

In November 1972 the Health Department moved to new premises at 4A Park View. This provided satisfactory accommodation for a department which had been working under considerable difficulty for some time owing to lack of space, caused by the large increase in staff resulting from the greater volumne of work connected with improvements to houses. The only disadvantage in the move was the distance from other departments of the Council: the best working relationships with other sections of a unit are more likely if all staff work under one roof.

According to the Registrar-General's estimate there was a further decrease in population from 37,890 to 37,590.

The Birth Rate, following the national trend showed a slight reduction, 13.0 per 1,000 population when adjusted by the area comparability factor, compared with 13.4 in 1971. This figure remains appreciably lower than the national rate of 14.8.

Likewise the Death Rate, adjusted by the area comparability factor, continues to be lower than the national rate, i.e. 11.6 compared with 12.1.

In 1971, the Infant Mortality Rate was exceptionally low at only 4 per 1,000 live births and so it is hardly surprising that in 1972 the Rate proved to be higher at 12 per 1,000 live births. However, this rate is still lower than that for the whole of England - 17.

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Infectious Diseases again continued at a very low level. A most unusual occurrence was a case of Cholera contracted abroad by a visitor to the town: fortunately as a result of early recognition of the disease, routine measures of control were undertaken in good time and no spread of infection occurred. There was also one case of Typhoid Fever, contracted on holiday abroad by a resident: again there were no further cases. These two instances draw attention to the importance of all people who travel abroad being aware of the ever present risks in countries where standards of hygiene are lower than our own. Neither case was notified in Whitley Bay as in each instance the diagnosis was made in hospital in another area.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the Chief Public Health Inspector and the Staff of the Health Department for their co-operation and also the Chairman and Members of the Social Services Committee for their support and interest in all measures designed to improve the health of the people of the Borough.

I remain,

Your obedient Servant,

George McNaught Cubie,

Medical Officer of Health

SECTION "A"

STATISTICAL AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE BOROUGH

The Borough comprises an area of 3,612 acres, including the foreshore which is 510 acres. It continues in popularity as a holiday resort and has excellent rail and bus connections to and from all parts of the country. It has a wide variety of interests and entertainments with the picturesque St. Mary's Island and Lighthouse at the North end of the Bay. Fine golden sands stretch for nearly two miles.

The Borough is divided electorally into eight wards which are represented by twentyfour councillors and eight aldermen. The rateable value now stands at £1,566,470, the product of the penny rate being £14,700. The population at midyear 1972 was 37,590 a decrease of 300. There are 13,333 houses in the area of which 1,792 are owned by the Borough Council.

VITAL STATISTICS

Following are the vital statistics in accordance with Ministry requirements and in the order requested.

Live Births	
Number	434
Rate per 1,000 population	11.5
Illegitimate live births (per cent of total live births)	9
Stillbirths	
Number	2
Rate per 1,000 total live and still births	5
Total live and still births	436
Infant deaths (deaths under 1 year)	5
Infant Mortality Rates	
Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births	12
Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births	8
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births.	54
Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 total live births)	7
Early neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births)	7
Perinatal Mortality Rate (still births and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and still births)	11
Maternal Mortality (including abortion)	
Number of deaths	Nil
Rate per 1,000 total live and still births	Nil

Births

The number of live births for the year was 434, giving a birth rate of 11.5 per 1,000 population. 241 of these were males and 193 females. The Registrar General's comparability factor is 1.13 which alters the birth rate for the area to 13.0 per 1,000. There were 26 male and 11 female illegitimate births, representing 9 per cent of the total births, and the number of still births was 2 (1 female, 1 male) representing .458 per cent of the total births.

Deaths

572 deaths were recorded by the Registrar General, consisting of 281 males and 291 females. The crude death rate for the area was 15.2 per 1,000 of the population, but adjustment by the Registrar General's comparability figures of .76 reduces this figure to 11.6.

The cause of all deaths are shown in the table on the following page.

Longevity

Of the 572 deaths in the area, 458 of them occurred at the age of 65 years or over. This represents 80.07 per cent. Details are given in the following table.

Ages of death	Males	Females	Total
Under 1 year	4	1	5
1 to 4 years	3	-	3
5 to 14 years	1	-	1
15 to 24 years	3	-	3
25 to 34 years	-	-	-
35 to 44 years	3	2	5
45 to 54 years	15	12	27
55 to 64 years	49	21	70
65 to 74 years	79	61	140
75 years and over	124	194	318
TOTAL	281	291	572

CAUSES OF DEATH	M.	F.
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	1	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Buccal Cavity etc.	1	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Desophagus	2	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	5	9
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	7	8
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	34	7
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	7
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	-	4
Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate	5	-
Leukaemia	1	1
Other Malignant Neoplasms	11	16
Diabetes Mellitus	2	1
Avitaminoses, etc.	1	-
Other Endocrine etc. Diseases	1	1
Anaemias	1	4
Mental Disorders	-	1
Other Diseases of Nervous System	1	3
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	2	5
Hypertensive Disease	1	6
Ischaemic Heart Disease	86	73
Other Forms of Heart Disease	8	23
Cerebrovascular Disease	43	45
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	16	22
Influenza	-	4
Pneumonia	16	16
Bronchitis and Emphysema	13	10
Asthma	3	2
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	3	1
Peptic Ulcer	1	2
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	1	-
Cirrhosis of Liver	1	3
Other Diseases of Digestive System	2	3
Nephritis and Nephrosis	1	1
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	1	1
Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	-	1
Congenital Anomalies	2	-
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour etc.	2	-
Symptoms and Ill Defined Conditions	-	2
Motor Vehicle Accidents	2	-
All Other Accidents	3	8
Suicide and Self Inflicted Injuries	1	1
TOTALS	281	291

SECTION "B"

HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA

1. Infectious Diseases

The Newcastle Regional Hospital Board administers the clinics, hospitals and sanatoria dealing with treatment necessary for Tuberculosis cases under the National Health Service 1946. Other infectious diseases which require hospitalisation are treated at Walkergate Hospital, Newcastle upon Tyne.

2. Medical and Surgical Cases

These are mostly treated in hospital and infirmaries under the jurisdiction of the Newcastle Group Hospital Board and the South East Northumberland Hospital Management Committee.

3. Child and Maternity Welfare.

These services and the clinics connected with them are administered by the Northumberland County Council.

4. Home Nursing.

This service is also controlled by the County Council.

5. Ambulance Service.

This is a radio controlled service administered by the County Council. The Ambulance Depot is at Hillheads and gives a 24 hour daily service.

6. First Aid.

A fully equipped station, manned by qualified personnel, is operated by the Borough on the Central Lower Promenade and it is of great service to visitors and residents during the busy season. The personnel consists of one full-time nurse and volunteer members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade. 473 cases were dealt with during the season, including 310 cases of injury from cuts and grazes, many of these from broken glass. 29 of these cases were sent to hospital for treatment.

7. Lost Children

This station is provided by the Borough and is also situated on the Lower Promenade. A full time attendant cares for the children when brought in, until recovered by the parents. The number of lost children was 202.

8. Public Health Laboratories

These laboratories are attached to the Newcastle General Hospital and are of great service to this Department and also to the medical practitioners in the area.

RAINFALL

During the year 15.644 inches fell in the area. Comparisons with the previous years are shown in the table below.

	INCHES				
	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972
January	1.11	2.4	3.04	2.93	3.094
February	1.521	1.893	1.72	.57	1.07
March	1.449	1.567	1.49	3.70	1.59
April	1.16	1.524	2.417	.695	0.9
May	1.823	3.055	1.02	2.23	1.29
June	2.077	2.594	1.34	2.51	2.142
July	5.298	1.429	3.97	1.335	0.527
August	2.21	1.728	1.24	4.35	1.12
September	2.968	1.813	1.56	.317	0.098
October	2.65	.506	1.627	.905	0.847
November	2.30	2.164	2.43	1.66	2.036
December	2.475	2.564	1.66	.577	0.93
TOTALS	27.041	23.237	23.514	21.779	15.644

SECTION "C"

1. SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

(i) The water supply during the year proved of good quality and was plentiful. The water is supplied by Tynemouth Corporation.

(ii) 24 samples of water were taken for bacteriological examination and all were satisfactory.

(iii) No water samples for chemical analysis were taken.

(iv) There are no houses in the Borough of Whitley Bay which are not provided with an internal water supply.

(v) Sewerage and Sewage Disposal - Two farms have septic tanks in use and a cesspool serves Trinity Road Public Conveniences. With these exceptions the area is fully served by water carriage system with a final disposal via outfall sewers to sea.

2. RIVER POLLUTION

River pollution in the area is the concern of the Northumberland and Tyneside River Board and we are grateful to them for their efforts.

3. SANITARY SERVICES

See Public Health Inspector's Report.

4. SHOPS AND OFFICES

See Public Health Inspector's Report (pages 25, 26 and 27)

5. CAMPING SITES

See Public Health Inspector's Report (page 24)

6. PADDLING POOL

The Paddling Pool on the Southern Promenade is very popular with children. It is kept clean and the water is constantly chlorinated.

7. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

Details are given in the Public Health Inspector's Report.

8. SCHOOLS

These are administered by the Northumberland County Council.

SECTION "D"

HOUSING

This is fully dealt with in the Report of the Public Health Inspector on pages 21, 22 and 23.

SECTION "E"

MEAT, MILK AND OTHER FOODS

The following table indicates the number of animals passing through the private abattoir at Hillheads.

Further information can be found on pages 31 to 34.

	Cattle Exclud -ing Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	9215	269	11	63661	31,841	Nil
Number not inspected	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
All diseases except Tuberculosis & Cysticerci						
Whole carcases condemned	2	Nil	Nil	47	33	Nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	2598	47	Nil	1676	4906	Nil
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis or cysticerci	28.211	17.472	Nil	2.706	15.511	Nil
Tuberculosis only						
Whole carcases condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	4	Nil	Nil	Nil	226	Nil
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	.043	Nil	Nil	Nil	.007	Nil
Cysticercosis						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	15	Nil	Nil	13	Nil	Nil
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Generally and totally condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	Nil

SECTION "F"

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

ANALYSIS OF CASES UNDER AGE GROUPS

	Under 1	1-4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65 and over	Totals
Measles	2	33	23	-	-	-	-	-	1	59
Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	2	6
TOTALS	2	33	23	-	1	1	1	1	3	65

INCIDENCE RATES PER 1,000 POPULATION			
Measles	1.66	Tuberculosis	.17

There were no cases of the following diseases in 1972:-

Smallpox, Anthrax, Typhoid, Para-Typhoid, Typhus Fever, Malaria, Poliomyelitis, Puerperal Pyrexia, Ophthalmia Neonatorum, Tetanus, Encephalitis, Leptospirosis, Food Poisoning, Plague, Cholera, Relapsing Fever, Yellow Fever, Diptheria, Scarlet Fever, Whooping Cough, Acute Meningitis, Infective Jaundice, Dysentery.

TUBERCULOSIS

There were 6 new cases during the year. Mass radiography is carried out by mobile units and public response is fairly good. At the end of the year there were still 145 cases on our register compared to 155 last year, consisting of 83 males and 62 females. 122 of these were pulmonary and 23 non pulmonary.

The age groups of the 6 new cases are as follows:-

Years	PULMONARY		NON - PULMONARY	
	M.	F.	M.	F.
1 - 4	-	-	-	-
5 - 9	-	-	-	-
10 - 19	-	-	-	-
20 - 24	1	-	-	-
25 - 34	-	-	-	1
35 - 44	1	-	-	-
45 - 54	-	-	-	-
55 - 64	1	-	-	-
65 and over	-	1	-	1
TOTAL	3	1	-	2

CANCER

There were 118 deaths recorded - an incidence of 3.32 per 1,000 of the population.

The deaths in age groups are given in the following table with the various organs affected.

	Age in Years						TOTAL
	1-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	Over 75	
Buccal Cavity	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Oesophagus	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
Stomach	-	-	1	1	4	8	14
Intestine	-	-	1	1	5	8	15
Lung, Bronchus	-	1	3	12	12	13	41
Breast	-	1	1	-	3	2	7
Uterus	-	-	2	-	1	1	4
Prostate	-	-	-	1	-	4	5
Leukaemia	1	-	-	1	-	-	2
Other Forms	1	1	2	4	8	11	27
TOTALS	2	3	10	21	35	47	118

Disinfestation of Premises

Houses are disinfested where necessary, and also Library books. Schools are treated on the request of headmasters where infectious disease has occurred amongst scholars.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948
NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

Removal of persons in need of care and attention

I am pleased to record that no compulsory action was necessary during 1972.

Burial of the Dead (Section 50)

It was not necessary during the year to initiate the powers of the Act in relation to the burial of persons.

The Factories Act, 1961

The sections of the above Act, which are the concern of the Department, are carried out regularly and all relevant details are shown in the tables on pages 39 and 40. A list is given also of all mechanical and non-mechanical factories in the Borough.

Factories	Mechanical	Non-Mechanical
Bakehouses	7	-
Boot Repairers	1	-
Carpet Fitting	-	1
Dry Cleaners	2	-
Engineering	4	-
Glass Cutters	2	-
Ice Cream Manufacturers	2	-
Joiners and Builders	10	1
Laundries	2	-
Milk Pasteurising	1	-
Motor Repairs	19	-
Picture Framing	1	-
Plumbers	1	1
Printers	4	-
Slaughtering	1	-
Spectacle Makers	1	-
Sugar Boilers	1	-
T.V. Repairs	1	-
Tailers, Dressmakers and Milliners	3	1
Tinsmith	1	-
Upholsterers	2	-
Wholesale Shirt Makers	1	-
Watch Repairer	-	1
TOTAL	67	5

Seven outworkers are employed in the District.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

To the Chairman and Members of the Social Services Committee of the Borough of Whitley Bay.

I submit herewith my seventeenth Annual Report on the activities of the Public Health Inspectors' Department.

Your obedient Servant,

Wm. W. Valentine,

Chief Public Health Inspector.

HOUSING

Improvement, Standard and Special Grants

Type of Grant	Discretionary		Standard		Special
	Conversions	Improvements	Normal	Extended	
Applications Received	11	419	35	0	1
Applications Approved	4	250	26	4	1
Approved Expense	£24,997	£357,456	£11,623	0	0
Amount Paid	£ 5,400	£76, 553	£2,017	£1,056	0

Number of standard amenities installed by means of grant

Year	Inside W.C.	Bath	Wash-hand basin	Hot Water System
1970	29	23	23	14
1971	17	16	17	12
1972	39	30	30	29

Estimated number of dwellings without the following standard amenities

Inside W.C.	Bath	Wash-hand basin	Hot Water System
206	192	200	149

Number of General Improvement Areas - One

House Improvementsand Rents

	Qualification Certificates	Provisional Certificates
Applications received	39	16
Applications granted	39	16
Applications refused	22	1
Appeals	Nil	Nil

Clearance Areas and Individual Houses
Period 1st January, 1972 to 31st December, 1972

HOUSES DEMOLISHED			
	Houses Demolished	Displaced during year	
		Persons	Families
In clearance areas			
(1) Houses unfit for human habitation.	Nil	Nil	Nil
(2) Houses included by reason of bad arrangement etc.	Nil	Nil	Nil
(3) Houses on land acquired under Section 43 (2) Housing Act 1957	Nil	Nil	Nil
Not in clearance areas			
(4) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17 (1) Housing Act 1957	Nil	Nil	Nil
(5) Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health.	Nil	Nil	Nil
(6) Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under Local Acts.	Nil	Nil	Nil
(7) Unfit houses included in unfitness orders.	Nil	Nil	Nil
UNFIT HOUSES CLOSED			
(8) Under Sections 16(4),17(1) and 35(1) Housing Act 1957	1	Nil	Nil
(9) Under Section 17(3) and 26 Housing Act 1957.	Nil	Nil	Nil
(10) Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act 1957.	Nil	Nil	Nil

UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED		
	By Owner	By Local Authority
(11) After informal action by Local Authority.	26	Nil
(12) After formal notice under		
(a) Public Health Acts	3	Nil
(b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957.	Nil	Nil
(13) Under Section 24, Housing Act 1957	Nil	Nil

UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY USE (Housing Act, 1957)		
	No. of Houses (1)	No. of separate dwellings contained in column (1) (2)
Position at end of year		
(14) Retained for temporary accommodation		
(a) Under Section 48	Nil	Nil
(b) Under Section 17 (2)	Nil	Nil
(c) Under Section 46	Nil	Nil
(15) Licensed for temporary occupation Under Section 34 and 53	Nil	Nil

PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT		
	No. of Houses (1)	No. of occupants of houses in column(1) (2)
(16) Houses in clearance areas other than those included in confirmed clearance orders or compulsory orders purchased in the year.	Nil	Nil

Houses completed during the year

(a)	by Local Authority	(by new building)	8
		(by conversion)	4
(b)	by others	(by new building)	41
		(by conversion)	28

Rent Act 1957

No action was required under provision of this Act.

Houses in Multiple Occupation

Houses known to be in multiple occupation	24
Registration scheme	Nil
Management Orders	Nil
Notices regarding neglect of management	Nil
Notices regarding additional facilities	5

Moveable Dwellings

Number of licensed caravan sites	1
Maximum permitted number of caravans	525
Number of licence contraventions	1
Number of non-licensed sites (Operated by Caravan Club of Great Britain)	1
Number of licensed camping sites.	Nil

OFFICES AND SHOPS

Registration and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	Nil	95	14
Retail Shops	7	344	125
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	1	4	Nil
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	Nil	44	44
Fuel storage depots	Nil	Nil	Nil
TOTALS	8	487	183

Total number of visits by Inspectors to registered premises - 319

Analysis by Workplace of Persons employed in Registered Premises

Class of Workplace	Number of persons employed
Offices	343
Retail Shops	1,656
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	42
Catering establishments open to the public	396
Canteens	4
Fuel storage depots	Nil
TOTAL	2,441
TOTAL MALES	655
TOTAL FEMALES	1,786

Offices and Shops continued:

Analysis of Contraventions

Contraventions found	Number	Contraventions found	Number
Cleanliness	1	Seats (sedentary workers)	Nil
Overcrowding	Nil	Eating Facilities	Nil
Temperature	1	Floor, passage and stairs	2
Ventilation	Nil	Fencing exposed parts machinery	2
Lighting	Nil	Protection of your persons from dangerous machinery	Nil
Sanitary Conveniences	Nil	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	Nil
Washing facilities	Nil	Prohibition of heavy work	Nil
Supply of Drinking Water	Nil	First Aid General Provisions	2
Clothing Accommodation	Nil	Other Matters	12
Sitting facilities	Nil		
		TOTAL	20

Exemptions: Applications received - Nil
Exemptions granted - Nil

Prosecutions - Nil

Offices and Shops continued:

Reported Accidents

Workplace	Number Reported		Total Number Investigated	Action Recommended			
	Fatal	Non-Fatal		Prosecution	Formal Warning	Informal Advice	No Action
Offices	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Retail Shops	-	3	1	-	-	1	2
Wholesale Warehouses	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Catering Establishments open to the public, canteens	-	5	1	-	-	1	4
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	Nil	11	2	Nil	Nil	2	9

Analysis of reported accidents

	Offices	Retail Shops	Wholesale warehouses	Catering establishments open to public, canteens	Fuel storage depots
Machinery	-	-	1	-	-
Transport	-	-	-	-	-
Falls of persons	2	-	-	1	-
Stepping on or striking against object or person	-	1	-	-	-
Handling goods	-	1	-	3	-
Struck by falling object	-	-	-	-	-
Fires and explosions	-	-	-	-	-
Electricity	-	-	-	-	-
Use of hand tools	-	1	-	1	-
Not otherwise specified	-	-	-	-	-

AIR POLLUTION

Smoke Control Programme

	Acres	Houses	Total Premises	Operative Date
Area No.1	110	784	797	1. 10. 1965
" No.2	595	781	797	1. 9. 1967
" No.3	61	761	770	1. 4. 1968
" No.4	755	1,099	1,140	1. 11. 1968
" No.5	193	925	953	1. 11. 1969
" No.6	136	1,068	1,121	1. 11. 1970
" No.7	67½	176	182	1. 7. 1972
" No.8	24	174	194	1. 7. 1972
Totals	1,941½	5,768	5,954	

Administration

Number of Approvals of Proposed Works issued	100
Number of Claims for 70% grant paid	118
Number of Claims for 100% grant paid	11
Number of Section 12 notices served	20
Number of Section 12 notices complied with	19
Necessary works carried out in default	Nil

Measurement

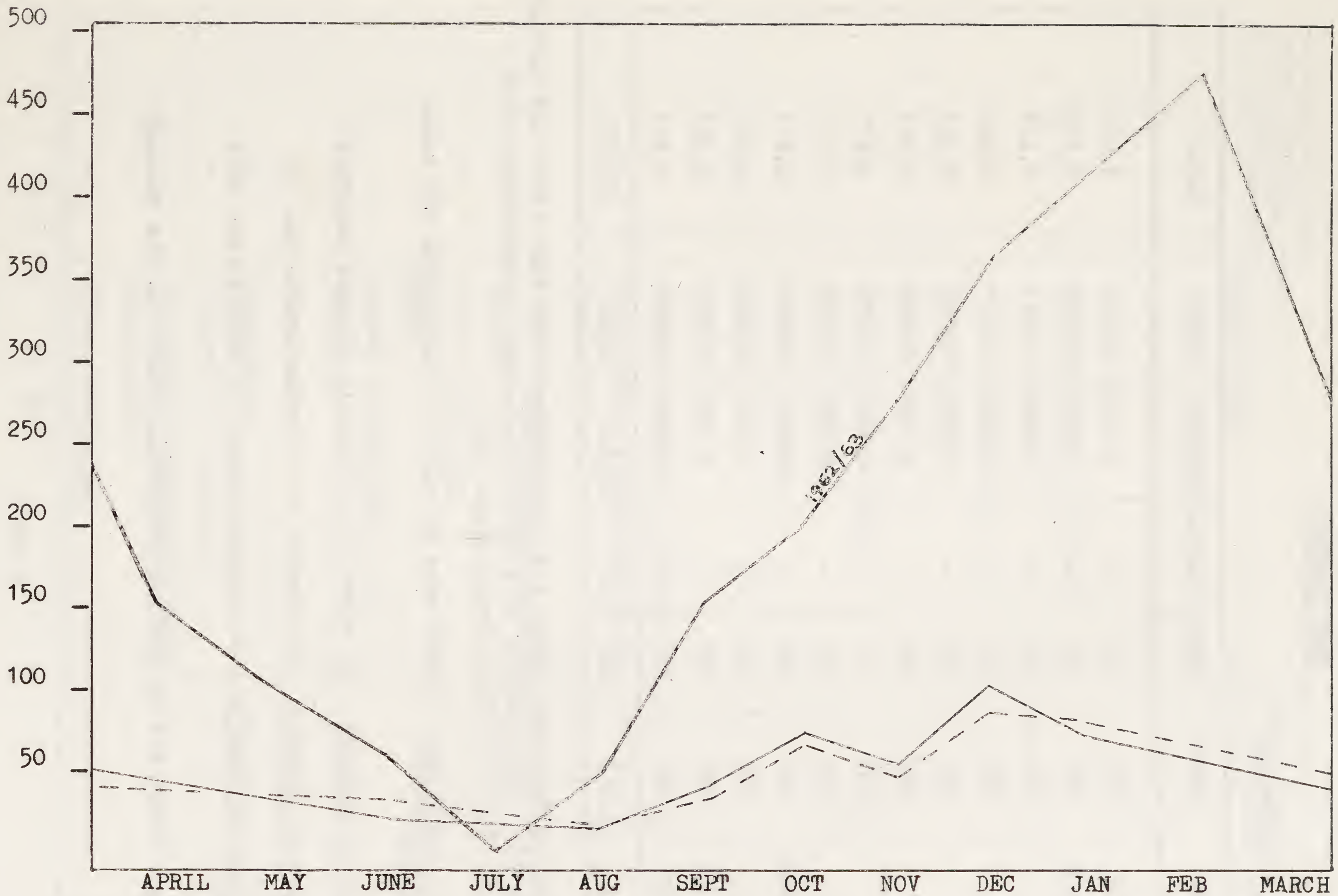
Average 'smoke' concentrations during six winter months, expressed in microgrammes per cubic metre of air	
October 1964 to March 1965	247
" 1965 to " 1966	212
" 1966 to " 1967	188
" 1967 to " 1968	212
" 1968 to " 1969	140
" 1969 to " 1970	139
" 1970 to " 1971	97
" 1971 to " 1972	71

Industrial

Dark Smoke	- number of contraventions	Nil
Furnaces	- notifications received	Nil
	- applications for prior approval	Nil
Grit and Dust Emissions	- number of contraventions	Nil
Height of Chimneys	- number of new chimneys	Nil

A N N U A L G R A P H - 1971/72

(Incorporating Comparison with Smoke Pollution in 1962/63)



———————SMOKE POLLUTION

in microgrammes per cu. metre of air

- - - - - - -SULPHUR DIOXIDE POLLUTION

FOOD CONTROL

Animals Inspected

Month	Cattle	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs	Total
January	771	31	2	4,193	2,111	7,108
February	742	29	-	3,234	2,103	6,108
March	730	29	5	2,982	2,363	6,109
April	882	39	2	3,556	2,999	7,478
May	795	23	-	2,833	2,843	6,494
June	698	10	-	4,240	2,629	7,577
July	669	9	-	6,662	2,295	9,635
August	765	12	-	8,733	2,613	12,123
September	748	28	-	8,497	2,601	11,874
October	929	19	1	8,902	2,811	12,662
November	825	28	1	6,123	3,005	9,982
December	661	12	-	3,706	3,468	7,847
Totals	9,215	269	11	63,661	31,841	104,997

Disposal of Meat etc. Unfit for Consumption - All such offal and carcases are stored then removed in a locked container in accordance with the Meat (Sterilization) Regulations 1969.

Sale of Horseflesh - There were no sales of horseflesh for human consumption.

Diseases of Animals - No cases of notifiable disease occurred.

Slaughter of Animals - The number of licences issued was 11.

Prevention of Cruelty - No contraventions of Regulations were recorded.

Poultry - There are no poultry processing plants in the Borough.

Condemnation of Carcases and Offal

CARCASES			OFFAL	
TOTAL	PARTIAL		TOTAL	PARTIAL
		ADULT CATTLE		
		Number slaughtered .. 9,484		
-	1	Actinobacillosis (-mycosis)	-	3
-	3	Bruising	-	-
		Cysticercosis (C. bovis)		
-	-	(a) Rejected	-	15
-	-	(b) Refrigerated	-	-
-	-	Echinococcosis	-	-
1	-	Emaciation	1	-
-	-	Fascioliasis (fluke)	-	1873
-	-	Hepatic abscess	-	475
-	-	Johne's disease	-	-
-	-	Mastitis	-	1
-	-	Peritonitis	-	18
-	-	Pneumonia and/or pleurisy	-	135
1	-	Septicaemic conditions/fever	1	-
-	-	Telangiectasis	-	1
-	-	Tuberculosis	-	4
-	-	Tumours	-	-
-	17	Other conditions	-	116
		CALVES		
		Number slaughtered .. 11		
-	-	Bruising	-	-
-	-	Emaciation	-	-
-	-	Immaturity	-	-
-	-	Joint-ill or navel-ill	-	-
-	-	Septicaemic conditions/fever	-	-
-	-	Tuberculosis	-	-
-	-	Other conditions	-	-

Condemnations of Carcases and Offal continued:

CARCASES			OFFAL	
TOTAL	PARTIAL		TOTAL	PARTIAL
		PIGS		
		Number slaughtered .. 31,841		
14	42	Abscess	14	32
-	185	Arthritis	-	-
-	-	Ascariasis (Milk spot)	-	2002
3	9	Bruising	3	-
-	-	Echinococcosis	-	-
7	-	Emaciation	7	-
2	-	Jaundice	2	-
-	-	Pneumonia and/or pleurisy	-	1789
1	-	Pyaemia	1	-
3	-	Septicaemic conditions/fever	3	-
-	-	Swine erysipelas	-	-
-	-	Tuberculosis	-	226
-	-	Tumours	-	-
3	52	Other conditions	3	762
		SHEEP		
		Number slaughtered .. 63,661		
-	5	Abscess	-	223
-	70	Arthritis	-	-
-	1	Bruising	-	-
1	-	Cysticercus ovis	1	13
-	-	Echinococcosis	-	-
41	-	Emaciation	14	-
-	-	Fasioliasis (fluke)	-	1221
-	-	Jaundice	-	-
-	-	Pneumonia and/or Pleurisy	-	37
-	-	Pyaemia	-	-
1	-	Septicaemic conditions/fever	1	-
-	-	Tumours	-	-
5	6	Other conditions	5	92

Unsound Food Surrended or Condemned

The number of certificates issued in respect of the following items was 1149.

	Tons	Cwts	lbs
1. Meat at Slaughterhouses	25	16	83
2. Meat at wholesale premises	-	-	-
3. Meat at retail shops	-	-	-
4. Cooked meat and meat products	-	-	36
5. Canned meats	-	2	24
6. Other canned foods	-	1	56
7. Fish	-	-	-
8. Fruit and vegetables (fresh)	-	-	-
9. Other foods including frozen foods	-	16	98
	26	13	35

Sale of Food Containing Foreign Matter

Food	Reason for Investigation	Action
Sausage	Wire	Warning letter
Cheese Slices	Mould	" "
Cheese	"	" "
Cakes	Green discolouration	No Action (SUGAR)
Cake	Potato Crisp	Warning Letter
Border Tart	Stone	" "
Walnuts	Grubs	" "
Minced Meat	Tuft bovine hair	" "
Sausage	" " "	" "
Baked Beans	Mould	" "
Potatoes	"	" "
Bread	"	" "
Meat Pie	"	" "
Sausage	"	" "
Chocolate Cake	Beetle	" "
Meat Pie	Mould	" "
Sandwich	"	" "
Bread	"	" "
Potato Crisp	"	" "
Bread	"	" "

Milk - The number of Dairies and Registered Distributors is 53

Sampling by Northumberland County Council

Total number of samples taken	103
No. of samples submitted to Methylene Blue Test No. satisfactory	78 70
No. of samples submitted to Phosphatase Test No. satisfactory	71 71
No. of samples submitted to Turbidity Test No. satisfactory	23 23

Ice Cream

Number of registered manufacturers 13
Number of registered premises selling ice cream 197
Number of samples submitted for bacteriological examination 43

Sample Gradings. No. 1 26 No. 111 4
No. 11 7 No. 1V 6

Food Hygiene

Type of Premise	Number	Type of Premise	Number
Bakehouses (manufacturers)	7	Greengrocers	21
Bakers Shops	25	Grocers and Provisions	38
Butchers	25	Licensed Hotels and Clubs	34
Chemists	15	Public Houses	21
Confectioners	27	Restaurants and Cafes	44
Dairies	1	Slaughterhouse	1
Fish & Chip Friers	9		
Wet Fish	9		

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations 1960

Offence	Prosecutions	Convictions
General Requirements	Nil	Nil
Requirements relating to persons engaged in handling of food	Nil	Nil
Requirements relating to food premises	Nil	Nil
	Nil	Nil

MISCELLANEOUS

Noise Control

Number of complaints received 7
Number of nuisances remedied (a) by formal action Nil
(b) by informal action 2

Pest Control

PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS	TYPE OF PROPERTY	
	Non - Agricultural	Agricultural
1. Number of properties in district	15,197	19
2. a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	279	2
b) Number infested by (i) Rats	201	2
(ii) Mice	73	-
3. a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	22	2
b) Number infested by (i) Rats	7	2
(ii) Mice	3	-

Insect	Number of treatments	Insect	Number of treatments
Mites	5	Snails	2
Wasps	47	Cockroaches	2
Silverfish	1	Lice	1
		Fleas	8

Drains Service

Drains cleared on request 278

Offensive Trades

There are no "offensive trades" in operation.

Piggeries

One piggery continues to operate at Murton Village.
No formal action was necessary.

Places of Public Entertainment (subject to periodic inspection)

Cinemas	Theatre	Dance Halls	Others
Essoldo	Priory	Alletsa	Whitley Bay Football Club
Classic		Empress Ballroom	Ice Rink
		Rex Ballroom	Ten Pin Bowling
		Rotunda Ballroom	Don's Bingo
			Spanish City
			Coliseum (Bingo)

Animal Boarding Establishments

Number of licensed premises		1
Maximum numbers	- Cats	10
	- Dogs	58

Riding Establishments

Number of licensed establishments 2

Pet Animals

Number of licences issued .. 8
No formal action was necessary

Scrap Metal Dealers

Number of registered dealers Nil

Dry Cleaning Establishments (Tests for presence of perchlorethylene)

Number of premises	8
Number of air samples taken	
at establishments..	Nil
Satisfactory	Nil
Unsatisfactory	Nil

Public Conveniences

List of Public Conveniences in the Borough, each with a ladies and gents section.

Black Horse	Memorial Park	Souter Park North
Brier Dene	(Seaton Sluice)	Souter Park South
Cemetery	Miniature Golf	Southern Promenade
Central Promenade	Old Hartley	Trinity Park
Crawford Park	Panama	Victoria Park
Dukes Walk	Rockcliffe	Watts Road
Library Car Park	St.Mary's Island	West Park(Seaton Sluice)
		Whitley Road

Toilets for use by disabled persons incorporated at Library Car Park, Souter Park North, Dukes Walk and Whitley Road.

ANALYSIS OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

Accumulations	71
Air Pollution - Domestic	3,828
- Industrial	1
- Measurement	173
Amusement Licences	6
Animals	5
- Boarding Establishments	2
- Riding Establishments	2
Dairies and Distributors	4
Drains and Sewers - Inspected	1,473
- Smoke Tests	7
- Water Tests	43
Factories (with mechanical power)	9
(without mechanical power)	4
(outworkers)	8
Farms	9
Food Hygiene - Butchers	26
- Bakehouses	7
- Cafe and Restaurants	122
- Fish Fryers	3
- Others	143
Hairdressers	12
Houses - Capable of Repair	574
- Not capable of Repair	2
- Cleanliness	6
- Improvement	3,744
- Multi-occupation	234
- Overcrowding	13
Infectious Diseases	44
Ice Cream Manufacture	36
Market, Stalls and Delivery Vehicles	11
Total carried forward	10,622

brought forward	10,622
Licensed Premises	60
Meat and Food - Inspections	451
- Condemnations	388
Meetings	31
Meeting with Owner or Tradesmen	44
Miscellaneous Visits	194
Moveable Dwellings and Sites	17
Noise	21
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act (General Inspections) - Offices	14
- Retail Shops	125
- Wholesale and Warehouses	-
- Catering Establishments and Canteens	44
- Fuel Storage Depots	-
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act (Visits) - Offices	7
- Retail Shops	103
- Wholesale and Warehouses	-
- Catering Establishments and Canteens	26
- Fuel Storage Depots	-
Pet Shops	8
Piggeries	13
Places of Entertainment	20
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act - Rats	1,256
- Mice	24
Public Health Nuisances	173
Public Conveniences	12
Samples - Ice Cream	90
- Water	1
Shops Act	-
Slaughterhouses	469
Schools	1
Verminous Premises	35
Water Courses	25
	£14,274

APPENDIX i

Inspection under Part 1 of the Factories Act, 1961

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health matters (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

PREMISES (1)	No. on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
i) in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	5	9	4	Nil
ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	67	4	Nil	Nil
iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	1	4	1	Nil
TOTAL	73	17	5	Nil

APPENDIX i continued

CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				No. of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred		
			H.M. Inspector (4)	to H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of Cleanliness(S1)	3	3	Nil	Nil	Nil
Overcrowding (S2)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Unreasonable Temperature (S3)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Inadequate Ventilation (S4)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Ineffective Drainage of Floors (S6)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Sanitary Conveniences (S7)					
(a) Insufficient	2	2	1	Nil	Nil
(b) Defective or Unsuitable	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
(c) Not separate for sexes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other offences against the Act. (not including offences relating to outwork)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
	5	5	1	Nil	Nil